



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D C 20463

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Bruce Afran  
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Re: MUR 5475

Dear Mr. Afran:

We received your response on behalf of Nader for President 2004 ("Nader 2004" or "the committee") in the above-referenced matter. In order to assist us in determining whether or not to recommend that the Commission find reason to believe a violation occurred in this matter, we write to seek any clarification and amplification you can provide concerning the value of the premises that Nader 2004 occupied during the period covered by the complaint.

In your response, you state that during the period covered by the complaint, Nader 2004 rented 900 square feet from Citizen Works and that Citizen Works and five other tenants rented the remaining 1,130 square feet. (Response at page 3). This results in a total square footage figure for the premises of 2,030. However, Taylor Hillenmeyer, in his affidavit in support of Nader 2004's response, gives a total square footage figure for the premises leased by Citizen Works in June 2001 of 4,371. (Hillenmeyer Affidavit Para. 3). When the per square foot price of \$36.42 (Response at page 3, Hillenmeyer Affidavit Para. 11) is multiplied by the 4,371 square footage figure given by Mr. Hillenmeyer, it yields a monthly rent figure of \$13,266. The \$13,266 monthly rent is the figure you identify as the total rent paid during the period covered by the complaint (Response at page 3) and is supported by the Hillenmeyer Affidavit at paragraph 11 and the Affidavit of Alexandra Arace at paragraph 6. This suggests that the number of square feet leased by Citizen Works has remained unchanged since June 2001. However, you also state in your response that Nader 2004 paid for "slightly more than half" of the premises, but occupied only about 44% of the total square footage and thus Citizen Works did not provide a rent subsidy for the committee. (Response at page 3). If Nader 2004 occupied approximately 44% of the premises and if the total square footage is 4,371, then Nader 2004 occupied approximately 1,920 square feet.

We would appreciate it you could clarify the total square footage of the premises, the square footage rented by Citizen Works, the square footage rented by Nader 2004, and the square footage rented by the five other tenants.

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This request should be considered strictly voluntary. Please be advised that if we do not hear from you before December 1, 2004, we will proceed to make our recommendation based on the information available to us at this time. If you have any questions, please call me before then at (202) 694-1573.

Sincerely,



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